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28 August 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Assistant Director/National Estimates

SUBJECT: Assessment of Research

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1. As directed by General Cabell and the PRC, this Office is attempting to make an assessment, with the cooperation of the users, of research. The and possibly the were of particular interest to your Office. I would appreciate your response to the following questions:

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- a) To what extent have you and your staff used the studies?
- b) What specific parts of this study have directly influenced your operations, programs or planning?
- c) Would you have recommended expenditure of your agency's funds to assist in the production of this study or any part of it?
- d) In your opinion, is the conduct of such research a worthwhile object for governmental financing? If your answer is in the affirmative, what criteria do you think should be applied to the use of government funds?

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2. If you can identify specifically in question (b) what operations, programs or planning have been directly influenced, this would be very helpful.

3. It would be appreciated if your response could be received by 4 September.

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